

Dear Child Nutrition Program Sponsors/Agencies:

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) received updated information from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) on Friday October 11, 2013 regarding the availability of funds during the government shut down for Child Nutrition Program (CNP) sponsors/agencies for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 (October 1, 2013, through September 30, 2014); specifically:

"USDA has determined that additional funding is currently available, and is sufficient to support program activity for several months in FY 2014. This funding is provided through a permanent appropriation supporting the Child Nutrition programs, and its availability to support Child Nutrition program obligations does **not** depend on further action by Congress."

The DPI encourages CNP sponsors/agencies to continue operating their program(s). The DPI will continue to update CNP sponsors/agencies as information becomes available.

Click here to read the FY 2014 Lapse in Appropriations Child Nutrition Program Q&A. http://fns.dpi.wi.gov/files/fns/doc/gm_101113_qa.doc

Thank you.

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